ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS, & EXPENDITURES,

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMILTON,

FROM MARCH, 1868,

TO MARCH, 1869.

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REPORT.

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Receipts.

Cash in Treasury, March 1868	$1,718 89
Received from F. R. Allen, collector 1866	250 95
" N. B. Butler, on account of taxes 1867	810 00
" " Interest on delinquent taxes, 1867	31 92
" " collector for 1868	4,658 24
" " Interest on county tax	3 00
Money hired,	9,100 00
State Aid reimbursed,	520 00
Received on account of state paupers	105 14
Massachusetts School Fund,	98 68
Corporation Tax,	57 38
Luther Preston, sale of school books,	15 72
Liquor Agency,	38 46
Liquor License Fee,	50 00
Commission on Sale of Liquors,	4 67
Sale of Burial Lots,	30 00
	$17,493 05

Expenditures.

County Tax,.....	603 60

Treasurer's Account.

Notes Paid.....	9,400 00
Interest on notes.....	1,339 04
State Aid.....	405 33
State Tax.....	1,000 00
Orders paid present year.....	3,254 56
	15,398 93

Schools.

NORTH DISTRICT.

Lucie A. Lamson, teaching, summer term,	100 00	
Samuel Patch for wood,	1 33	
Frederick P. Moore, wood, sawing and splitting,	9 50	
Samuel Dane, wood,	23 00	
John Weeks, sawing and splitting wood,	5 00	138 83

WEST DISTRICT.

E. D. Hamilton teaching, summer term,	96 00	
Charles D. Hodgkins, teaching, winter term,	122.50	
Charles Patch, wood and care of fire,	28 50	247 00

EAST DISTRICT.

N. H. Dodge, teaching, summer term,	88 00	
Robert F. Dodge, teaching, winter term,	142 50	
Isaac F. Knowlton, wood,	15 00	
George B. Knowlton, building fire,	3 00	248 50

SOUTH DISTRICT.

S. F. Lovering, teaching, summer term,	96 00	
J. W. Cheney, " winter "	125 00	
John Foster, sawing wood,	5 25	226 25
Total,		$860 58

Poor Department.

Paid David B. Wallis, assistance to poor travellers, 1867	3 00
" City of Salem, board of E. A. Meady, 1866-67	14 00
" James M. Woodman, house rent for Joanna Kent,	30 00
" Est. of Geo. Meacom, house rent for Robert F. Dodge,	65 00
" Samuel Ayers, for wood for Robert F. Dodge,	32 00
" Josiah C. Woodbury, wood for Robert F. Dodge,	20 00
" John Pickett, coal for Robert F. Dodge,	12 00
" George W. Hubbard, goods for Joanna Kent,	107 50
" W. A. Smith, wood for Joanna Kent,	21 00
Carried over	304 50

	Brought over	304 50
Paid	Winthrop L. Dodge, wood for Joanna Kent, 1867	8 00
"	Geo. W. Hubbard, goods to James M. Woodman for George and Margaret Woodman,	110 00
"	Insane Hospital, Ipswich, board of Kendall Dodge,	143 70
"	" " " clothing " "	20 00
"	Elbridge Dodge, board of John Ricard, state pauper	10 00
"	Chas. Patch, removing state pauper to state almshouse	5 00
"	John Trefry, assistance to poor travellers,	8 55
"	N. B. Butler, " " "	7 10
"	" 2 journeys to Ipswich, on acct. of M. Patch	2 00
"	W. H. Bryant, assistance to poor travellers,	5 00
"	John Trefry, jour. to E. Haskells, on acct. H. Haskell,	1 00
"	Robert Whipple, goods to Robert F. Dodge,	182 00
"	John Whipple, board of Willie Barker,	15 00
"	Chas. Patch, journey to Elias Haskells on account of H. Haskell,	1 00
"	" " " Ipswich on acct. M. Patch,	3 00
"	Town of Ipswich, board of Michael Patch,	36 00
"	N. B. Butler, services on acct. of Harriett Haskell,	50
		$862 35

Removing Snow.

March, 1868. Highway District No. 1,

Paid	Highway district No. 1.	29 90	
"	" " 2,	86 75	
"	" " 3,	40 70	
"	" " 4,	96 40	
"	" " 5,	85 20	
"	" " 6,	95 89	
"	" " 7,	54 95	
"	" " 8,	56 00	545 79

For January, 1869.

Paid	Highway dist. No. 1. Jos. Knowlton, surveyer	8 30	
"	" " 2, Isaac F. Knowlton,	20 80	
"	" " 3, Oliver Porter,	11 00	
"	" " 4, Ira A. Dunnell,	41 30	
"	" " 5, Charles Patch,	19 60	
"	" " 6, Luke Dodge,	21 30	
"	" " 7, Edwin A. Whipple,	12 30	
"	" " 8, S. A. F. Whipple,	16 27	150 87
	Total		$696 66

Roads and Bridges.

Paid For Candlewood Road, extra appropriation,	
Jos. Horton for gravel,	56
Benjamin W. Patch, for labor,	7 70
Frank Andrews " "	23 10
Prince A. Andrews, " "	9 70
Charles Patch, " "	45 00
Catharine Whipple, oxen and driver,	2 60
N. B. Butler, labor	11 24
Mrs. Anna Brown, gravel for district No. 3, 1867	5 00
Chas. Patch, labor on factory bridge,	8 00
" " nails for bridge,	1 40
Washington Woodbury, labor on factory bridge,	3 00
Benjamin Woodbury, " " "	3 00
N. B. Butler, " " " "	3 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, working non resident tax,	11 14
Luke Dodge, " " " "	11 13
Samuel A. F. Whipple, " " "	11 13
" " extra labor crooked lane hill,	2 00
Edward A Whipple, working non resident tax,	11 13
Ira A. Dunnels, " " "	11 13
Charles Patch, " " "	11 14
" " working Abel Baker's tax	23 40
Jos. Knowlton, 2d, working non residents tax	11 14
Jarvis Lamson, working on factory bridge,	5 00
	$231 60

Salaries, and Fees.

Paid John Trefry, services as selectman, 1867	8 00
David B. Wallis, " " "	7 00
N. B. Butler, collector, 1867	44 00
" " making annual report for 1867	6 00
" " services as assessor 1868	25 50
" " overseer of poor,	5 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, services as town clerk,	10 00
John Trefry, assessor,	24 00
" " overseer of poor,	5 00
" " constable	4 00
Charles Patch, services as assessor,	18 00
" " overseer of poor,	5 00
Daniel E. Safford, treasurer,	20 00
" " extra service laying state aid	6 00
" " school committee,	10 00
N. B. Butler, service as selectman,	9 00
" " annual report	3 00
Charles Patch, services as selectman	6 00
" " annual report	3 00
John Trefry, service as selectman,	8 00
" " making annual report,	3 00
	$229 50

Miscellaneous.

Paid	Salem Observer Office printing Annual Reports—two years,	$22 00
	Aaron Tibbets, finding stock and making bier,	6 00
	H. P. Ives, stationery,	3 30
	N. B. Butler, record book for town clerk	67
	Salem Gazette office, printing tax bills,	3 75
	N. B. Butler, making state aid report,	1 00
	" " taking census of children,	1 50
	" " settlement with F. R. Allen,	1 00
	" " " " Liquor Agent,	1 00
	" " postage,	24
	Frederick P. Moore, services in hunting up non-licensed dogs,	4 00
	Isaac F. Knowlton, postage,	1 50
	" " stationery, book, &c.,	2 00
	" " record'g births, marriages & deaths,	8 50
	John Trefry, notifying town officers	3 00
	" " settlement with F. R. Allen,	1 00
	" " taking census of children,	1 50
	" " settlement with liquor agent,	1 00
	" " dog warrant and certificate,	1 50
	" " postage,	18
	D. P. Dodge, expressing 1867 and 1868,	5 18
	David M. Hough, postage,	90
	Aaron Tibbetts, painting cemetery fence,	9 50
	John Tibbetts, making return of deaths,	90
	Charles Patch, settlement with F. R. Allen,	3 00
	" " taking census of children,	1 00
	Daniel E. Safford, to two journeys to Boston to hire money from State,	6 00
	Daniel E. Safford, postage,	24
	Salem Gazette office, printing school reports,	10 25
	Cong. Parish, use of vestry for selectmen's office, town meetings, &c.,	50 00
		$151 61

Discount on Taxes.

Allowed N. B. Butler, Collector for 1868,	$169 55

Abatements.

Allowed N. B. Butler, Collector for 1867, viz :		
Franklin Hobbs tax,	$2 79	
John H. Gregory "	10 65	
		13 44
Allowed N. B. Butler, Collector for 1868:		
Jos. T. Dodge, poll tax,	2 00	
Charles A Brewer,	1 54	
Enoch F. Brewer,	2 00	
Levi Hobbs,	3 25	
John S. Webber,	73	
		$9 52
F. R. Allen, Collector for 1866 :		
Error in tax list,	$26 25	
Edmund Knowlton, poll tax,	2 00	
Winthrop Appleton, " "	2 19	
Oliver Appleton,	2 19	
		$32 63

Recapitulation.

Paid	County Tax	$603 60
	Notes paid	9400 00
	Interest on Notes	1339 04
	State Aid	405 33
	State Tax	1000 00
	Schools	860 58
	Salaries	229 50
	Poor	862 35
	Miscellaneous Expenses	151 61
	Removing Snow	696 66
	Roads and Bridges	231 64
	Discount on Taxes	169 55
	Abatements	55 59
		$15,401 85

Total Amount of Orders drawn during the year,	$3,254 46
Total " " " paid " " "	3,251 36
One outstanding order	3 10

Treasurer's Receipts for the year,	17,493 05
Expenses of Treasurer,	15,398 75
Balance in Cash,	$2094 30
Due from F. R. Allen, Collector for 1866,	1 30
" " N. B. Butler, Collector of 1868,	179 74
In favor of town	$2,275 34

Town Debt.

Amount of Notes against the town.....	$19,511 00
Deduct balance in favor of treasury.....	2,275 34
Town Debt	$17,235 66

The Treasury is subject to a draft of $123 75, being the wages of the teacher of the North School, for the winter term. Also sundry small bills not presented, amounting with the above to about $200. 5 gallons rum, 1 do whiskey, 1 do cherry rum, 5 demijohns, and 4 kegs belonging to the late Liquor Agency, remain unsold in possession of the town; and $2 for old lumber taken from the Factory bridge.

The above report is believed to be a fair representation of the financial affairs of the town.

It will be seen that the town debt has slightly increased since last year; which suggests the propriety of larger appropriations or greater economy the coming year. It is difficult to see where much more retrenchment or economy, in the management of affairs, can be made, except in the matter of snow. This is one of our heaviest burdens; and it is to be hoped some cheaper and better way may be devised to render the roads passable in winter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN TREFRY,
NATHANIEL B. BUTLER,
CHARLES PATCH,
} Selectmen of Hamilton.

HAMILTON, March 2d, 1869.